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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No.: 2134 CONCIP (203-2402)

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For: Laparoscopic Bipolar Electrosurgical Instrument

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Respectfully submitted,



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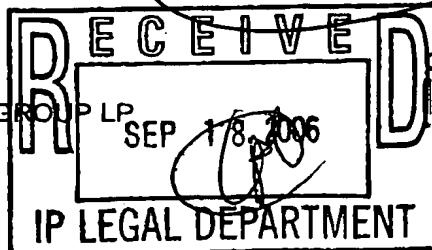
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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/US03/17335 06/03/2003 ✓

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The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is **US10/516,480**

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COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL,
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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including the ownership of all the claims at the time the last claimed invention was made,
should be submitted.

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,
I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor *(if only one name is listed below)* or an
original, first and joint inventor *(if plural names are listed below)* of the subject matter
which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

LAPAROSCOPIC BIPOLAR ELECTROSURGICAL INSTRUMENT

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

the specification of which: *(complete (a), (b) or (c))*

(a) ☐ is attached hereto.

(b) ☒ was filed on 11/30/2004 as ☒ Serial No. 10/516,480 or ☐ Express Mail No., as Serial No. not yet known _____ and was amended on _____ *(if applicable)*.

NOTE: Amendments filed after the original papers are deposited with the PTO which contain new matter are not accorded a filing date by being referred to in the declaration. Accordingly, the amendments involved are those filed with the application papers or, in the case of a supplemental declaration, are those amendments claiming matter not encompassed in the original statement of invention or claims. See 37 C.F.R. 1.67.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and

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PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d))

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

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(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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